

SNAPSHOT

USAID's Pro-Integridad provides key support for New Strategic Plan for Criminal Procedure Reform in Peru



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Left to right.

Dr. Victor Yaipen Zapata, Technical Secretary to the Technical Team for the CPC Implementation at the Public Ministry; Dr. Carlos Zoe Vásquez Ganoza, Technical Secretary to the Special Commission for the Implementation of the CPC at the Ministry of Justice and Human Rights; Dr. José Antonio Peláez Bardales, Prosecutor General of the Nation; Dr. Enrique Mendoza Ramírez, President of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Republic; Dr. Daniel Figallo Rivadeneyra, Minister of Justice and Human Rights; Dr. Walter Albán Peralta. Minister of the Interior.

"The Plan proposed by USAID's ProIntegridad was an important input for
the development of the Strategic Plan
for the Implementation and
Consolidation of the Peruvian
Criminal Procedure Reform,
approved by the Special Commission
for Implementation, led by the
Minister of Justice and Human
Rights, Dr. Daniel Figallo
Rivadeneyra, enacted through
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Dr. Carlos Zoe Vásquez, Technical Secretary of the ST-CEICPP

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USAID's Pro-Integridad Project started conferencing in 2013 with the Technical Secretariat of the Special Commission for the Implementation of the Criminal Procedure Code, ST-CEICPP, to identify actions that would strengthen the implementation of the Criminal Procedure Code – CPC. Several meetings were held with the Technical Secretary, Dr. Carlos Zoe Vásquez, and his team, during which Pro-Integridad agreed to provide support for the implementation of the CPC objectives. This marks a major milestone in the implementation of Peru's new Criminal Procedure Code.

In this context, in November 2013 the technical team of Pro-Integridad developed a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats –SWOT- study with Institutional Technical Teams, which served as input to the new strategic plan developed by the ST-CEICPP.

The SWOT analysis highlighted four important aspects: **First**, the need to update the legal framework that regulates the functions, powers and interrelationships of the units responsible for the CPC:

Second, the need to establish planning, training, dissemination and monitoring processes.

Third, the need that all institutions have monitoring indicators, which currently some do not have; and

Fourth, while the ST-CEICPP has the Inter-Institutional Training Committee, the institutions do not necessarily have standards for the development of content areas important for the reform.

Following the SWOT, the technical team of Pro-Integridad proposed the following strategic objectives: (1) prepare and ensure proper implementation of the CPC in all judicial districts; (2) strengthen implementation of the CPC to include cases of corruption and organized crime; and (3) ensure the sustainability of the implementation of the CPC.

On January 2014, Pro-Integridad presented the proposed strategic plan to the Technical Secretary, Carlos Zoe Vásquez. Mr. Vasquez remarked that "Pro-Integridad's work has been instrumental to build the Strategic Plan developed by the Technical Secretariat and the Technical Teams, as well as for the new regulations of the Special Commission"

Pro- Integridad will continue to provide ongoing support to the ST-CEICPP to strengthen its functions to coordinate and monitor the implementation of the CPC and the proposed sustainability plan that will provide actions to ensure the implementation of the current strategic plan.